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Friday the 13th.
The day Wilson arrives in France.
Corn show in Salem all next week.

Give a student a job if you can, and keep him in school.

Thirteen is his lucky number; thirteen letters in his name.

That immense shipment of soap just made to our soldiers abroad probably means that they are to be led against the Bolsheviks.

Speak kindly to the man with frayed elbows at the free-lunch counter—he may be an ex-king, ex-"dook" or something of that sort.

The corn show to be held all next week in Salem is to promote the growing of more and better corn. And this is one of the big things for the Willamette valley.

Every additional acre of flax grown hereabouts brings closer the time when Salem will have a linen mill, employing eventually thousands of laborers here. Raise more flax.

Takashi Hara, the new Japanese prime minister and minister of justice, started his career as a newspaper reporter—and has been on the downward path ever since—Los Angeles Times

When President Wilson reaches France, today, and goes to Paris tomorrow morning watch the mercurial people of that happy republic in their demonstrations of welcome. They appreciate his coming and will let the world hear them say so.

It is announced with a flourish of trumpets that the federal food administration will utilize its future activities for the protection of the consumer against unjust profits and speculation. We wish the administration good luck in the venture, but we have our "doots."—Exchange.

Yankee cannon makers were ready to turn out in quantity production cannon of twenty-four inch caliber with a range of forty miles; larger and longer range ones on special order. If the conflict had lasted long enough, Uncle Sam would have had a real war, up to the minute.

The recent political campaign was so satisfactory from a Republican point of view, that there is an idea gathering strength that a speechless campaign is the real thing for the people. The story of the ballots told what the people are likely to do when they read and think and are uninfluenced by the spellbinder.

SAFETY AND SANITY FIRST.

Bern wants to borrow \$35,000,000 from the bankers of America. If she will promise not to spend the money for firecrackers perhaps the loan might be arranged.

NO PLACE LIKE FOAM.

The problem of what to do with the breweries has been answered. The new two-million-dollar church of St. Bartholomew is located on the site of a big brewery in New York.

GIVE HIM A CHANCE.

Honorable Carter Glass, the new secretary of the treasury, will take office December 16, but the McAdoo vacancy will continue for a long

FUTURE DATES.

December 16 to 21—Annual Marion county corn show, Salem.
December 18, Wednesday—Marion county legislative delegation meets at Masonic temple.
December 25, Wednesday—Christmas.
December 25 to 28—Christmas holidays in Salem schools.
January 6, Monday—State Federation of Labor convenes in Salem.

time after that.—Los Angeles Times.
Possibly. Even likely. But the new secretary ought to be given a chance before final judgment is pronounced.

END IN SIGHT.

Two-cent postage is restored in the revenue bill now before congress and the obnoxious zone, mail rate system is cut out. Begins to look as though the war is really over.

BEYOND THE ALPS.

Piltschner Peak, in the Swiss Alps, sounded too much like Piltsner, so it was rechristened Wilson Peak. We are not only making the world safe for democracy but bone dry.

A SURE THING.

Back in 1901 government 4 per cent bonds sold as high as 140. Hang on to your liberty bonds until the last armed foe expires, at any rate. There will never be a more assured or better investment from the standpoint of safety first.

A HEAVY TOLL.

One of the big life insurance companies reports that it has paid out more than \$25,000 on influenza losses to each \$1000 of war-risk claims. There are some things worse than war to the insurance companies.

ASYLUMS WANTED.

Bill Hohenzollern intimates that he might like to find an asylum in America. There are several of them here. Possibly Dr. Steiner could arrange to accommodate him with a padded cell in the violent ward of the Oregon State asylum—if the inmates did not too violently object.

NOT AFRAID OF GRETCHEN.

The girls at our family hotel were smiling and cheery again last night. "What's the god news? Are the boys coming home this month?" we asked.

"No; but we don't worry any more about them getting married over there."

"No?"

"Not a chance. The paper says they're leaving France today and going into Germany."—Kansas City Times.

STANDING ROOM ONLY.

China will be as strong at the peace conference as it was fragile when the cannon thundered. The Chinese government declined all invitations to get in the game; but her foreign minister, with a suite almost as numerous as that of President Wilson, is now on the way to the peace conference. But there the parallel ends; for the seats for the president and his party have already been reserved, while Lu Cheng-Haiang and his retinue will find themselves at the mercy of the ticket speculators.—Exchange.

Perhaps. But China contributed many thousands of men to the labor battalions behind the lines in France, and she sent food; and she furnished large sums of money to the war welfare work. She did very well, for a country as new as she was in the family of free nations.

WOMEN LORDS.

English women having been admitted to eligibility as members of parliament in the house of commons, the house of lords is gravely discussing the advisability of extending the privilege to their sacred precinct. The commons, having been thoroughly and inclusively gallant, voiced its opinion that the lords should do likewise. Sir Robert Cecil, Sir Willoughby Dickson and

the Rt. Hon. Herbert Samuels all spoke words of testimony for the ladies. And, considering the attitude five brief years ago, we cull this gem from the debate, as reported in the once antagonistic London Times:

"Opposition to the principle came from Sir Hedworth Meux, who once more revived the atmosphere in which women's questions used to be discussed in a speech which Mr. Herbert Samuels afterwards said, 'was most distasteful to members.'"

And the members said "Hear, Hear," and gave the remark their amen.

It would seem indeed that English women have stooped to conquer and their conquest is as complete as that of the allies over Germany. A bill is now in preparation throwing all professions open to women. Christabel Pankhurst, who took the highest law degrees fifteen years ago, but was never admitted to the bar, may now settle down to being a musty, old family lawyer, or indeed, if fate is propitious, to the attorney generalship of Great Britain, or on the woolsack in the house of lords. Knights, baronets, baronies and peerages may yet be conferred upon women in their own right, without the complication of having to marry them.

After all, England has always grown greater under her queens—notably Elizabeth and Victoria. Female influence has never proved a menace in this highest office of the empire, wherefore it was ironical that lesser realms should have been closed to them. If a queen, why not a lawyer?

BITS FOR BREAKFAST

Windy and rainy.

Lipton thinks war is over.

He is ready to race once more.

Remember the corn show, next week.

Salem will be all dressed up for Santa Claus.

McAdoo is in favor of leaving the railroads with Uncle Sam for five years.

But the public will be better served, and the country better off, and the future brighter, if they make it five minutes. Ours is a nation of individuals, and a country that has grown to the stature of the greatest on earth under the urge of individual initiative and effort.

Holland seems to be taking the stand that the ex-kaiser is entitled to sanctuary in that country; but that he may be shipped off to some lonely island, with her consent, and under her direction. Bloody Bill now has great respect for the laws of nations and the scraps of paper that he has spurned and violated and tore to shreds while he had the power to do so.

EDITORIALS OF THE PEOPLE

(The Statesman is pleased to print communications upon topics of general interest at any time. There is scarcely any limit to the topics of "general interest." It is asked only that correspondents refrain from personalities and use care that nothing be written of a libelous nature. Letters must have writer's name and address, though not necessarily for publication.—ED.)

TO RED CROSS WORKERS.

While expressing our gladness over the end of hostilities, we can take a moment to survey our past and our future. The American Red Cross has been an emergency branch of the government responding with speed and efficiency to all calls made upon it, and upholding the traditional principles of the Red Cross "Humanity and Mercy." The people who had to stay at home must not forget the urgent cries heard from all over the world from those who will take no part in holiday cheer, who are in the utmost need of clothing of every kind. We are urged by division headquarters to marshal our forces and send on with utmost speed completed garments, information regarding the kind of garments needed and material can be secured at chapter headquarters or from Mrs. Russell Catlin, chairman of the committee. It is hoped that many workers will pledge a certain amount of work each week so long as this urgent demand continues.

The American Red Cross sent 3000 tons of condensed milk to the children of prisoners in Archangel, Siberia, and 2000 pounds of powdered milk to the children of France. Blankets numbering 1,200,000 were sent to France by the Red Cross emergencies.

The Red Cross has established over 70 hospitals in France for tuberculosis patients.

Ten thousand convalescent robes were sent by the Red Cross for use in tuberculosis camps.

One million chocolate bars were sent by the Red Cross to England for American soldiers waiting to go to France.

The above are just a few of the big things your grand organization is doing. Isn't it a pleasure and an honor to join such an association and all it costs is \$1.00 per year. Yours for the Christmas Roll Call.

H. W. MEYERS,
Chairman Willamette Chapter.

IN A SOCIAL WAY

By MOLLIE HUNCORN BRUNK.

D. Carl Gregg Doney, president of Willamette university, will speak before the members of the Salem Woman's club tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock at the regular monthly meeting in the auditorium of the Commercial club. Preceding Dr. Doney's talk a brief business session will be held.

Inasmuch as December 4, the date set apart by the United States food administration as woman's organization day, and the regular November date coming so close together, it was decided to combine the date, consequently the meeting tomorrow will partake of the nature of an observance of the earlier date.

Woman's clubs (in every city and town in the United States, were requested during conservation week to aid in the nation-wide movement of conservation of food, both along old and new lines.

President Wilson's peace message will be quoted from at tomorrow's session and the speech read that was recently made by Food Administrator Hoover, who appealed to the people of the land to remember their pledges made early in the war. The Hoover pledge will be presented to the members.

In charge of the conservation part of the program will be Mrs. W. M. Hamilton, chairman of the Home Economics department of the club, and Mrs. William E. Kirk, chairman of the woman's committee of the Marion county council of defense. Mrs. E. F. Carlton is the only other Salem woman to be named on the latter committee; Mrs. W. E. Anderson, Mrs. M. O. Buren, Mrs. R. B. Goodin, Mrs. F. E. Purvine and Mrs. Rose Shambler serving as members of the Home Economics department of the Woman's club.

Salem friends of George Palmer Putnam will be interested to learn that he has become associated with the publishing firm of G. P. Putnam's Sons of New York and London, taking the place that was formerly filled by his brother, whose death occurred six weeks ago.

Mr. Putnam was secretary to Governor Withycombe early in his first term, the Putnams taking a prominent place in local society while here. Last year Mr. Putnam took up special war work with the department of justice in Washington. Since last summer Mrs. Putnam has also been active in war work in the national capital.

Mr. Putnam has gained a wide name for himself through his writings, which include several books, one descriptive of Oregon which was published while he had his residence here. His last literary effort is a novel and has been staged in his adopted state.

Four months ago Mr. Putnam entered the field artillery officers' training school at Camp Zachary Taylor, Louisville, Ky., receiving his commission from there this month.

In his new position Mr. Putnam will be president of the Knickerbocker Press, the printing plant of the famous publishing house.

Under the direction of Mrs. F. A. Elliott, who has charge of the sewing department for the entire state in the Friends reconstruction work, a shipment of 136 peasant garments were shipped to France a fortnight ago, to be distributed to the French and Russians. Other shipments earlier in the fall numbered about 400 garments. This clothing was made by the women of the South Salem Friends, Highland Friends, and the Goodale Friends churches, who, at the beginning of the war formed clubs for the purpose. Work was partially discontinued during the summer but will begin actively again after the holidays. Aside from this work \$60 is sent each month from the churches for French relief. The Friends' work is a part of the Red Cross, but is distinctive.

Mrs. E. E. Fisher, chairman of the membership committee for Marion county, and Mrs. John A. Carson, chairman of the city membership campaign state that the returns of the present campaign are coming in at a surprising rate in Salem. It is fully believed that the entire membership will be secured again this year. No matter what the financial conditions have been, nearly every home has secured a new flag in its window. The Sacred Heart academy and the Grant and Garfield schools have already gone 100 per cent, although the junior Red Cross drive rally does not begin until later.

Mrs. Fisher spoke to the assembled students at Willamette university yesterday and the pledge cards were signed generally.

At the meeting of the North Salem Woman's club Wednesday afternoon a program of unusual interest was given.

Mrs. F. N. Toothacre, president of the club, presided, with Mrs. F. L. Purvine in charge of the program arrangement. Fifteen minutes were given to a discussion of current events which covered a variety of things brought out for use in the home since the war; also the different drugs and minerals made in the United States that were not manufactured before. The subject being only partially covered, it was decided to bring it again before the next meeting.

Mrs. Alice H. Dodd followed with a most enlightening talk on "The Duty of the Home Service Toward the Disabled Man." The remainder of the program was a reading, "Little Tommy Tucker," by Elizabeth Stuart Phelps; instrumental solo, by Miss Alice Roth; reading, "At the Matinee," by Mrs. Jessie Heath.

The next meeting, which will be held the second Wednesday in January. Curious and various articles of interest will be shown by Mrs. M. J. Hunt, whose sons are in the navy, and who have contributed the collection. Mrs. Flora Case will also dis-



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Mrs. James Walton will be hostess at her residence, 1077 Center street, this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, to the members of the women's auxiliary of St. Paul's parish at their regular monthly meeting.

Mrs. Belle Cleveland of Portland, who has been the house guest of her daughter, Mrs. Audley Gregg at her home, 1057 Marion street, since Thanksgiving day, returned to her home Wednesday.

Hosts of friends are sorrowing over the death of Mrs. George M. Rudolph of Portland, whose death occurred this week from pneumonia. Mrs. Rudolph passed her girlhood in Salem, being Miss Maude Griswold before her marriage. She was a sister of Mrs. Ralph A. Watson and Mrs. Charles E. Ramp, both of Portland.

Mrs. P. E. Fullerton is passing the month in Portland.

Members of the Woman's Benefit Association for the Maccabees met in their rooms in McCornack hall Wednesday evening and elected the following officers for the coming year, Commander, Mrs. Lillian Olmsted; lieutenant commander, Mrs. Ida McDaniel; past commander, Mrs. Kara Smart; chaplain, Mrs. Carrie Holman; record keeper, Mrs. Caroline Bushnell; lady at arms, Mrs. Mary Shank; sergeant, Mrs. Hazel Nugent; sentinel, Mrs. Alice Budlong; picket, Mrs. Carrie Lindsay; musician, Miss Opal McDaniel; captain, Mrs. Norma Terwilliger.

Mrs. Elizabeth P. Read, who was last year's commander, is passing the winter in Holyoke, Col.

Mrs. Lester Davis is visiting with friends in Portland, going down with Mr. and Mrs. John Savage.

TRUE AS TO RUSSIA.

Some friends, not so very long ago, were twitting Alla Nazimova about the way Russia had retreated before the Hun invasion. The star smiled sadly. Then she answered: "I often wonder if every night of that invasion, the kaiser didn't dream of Napoleon. After all, history has shown that in Russia, nothing fails like success."



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